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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
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The Honorable Kay Granger
Ranking Member
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1036 Longworth House Office Building
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Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

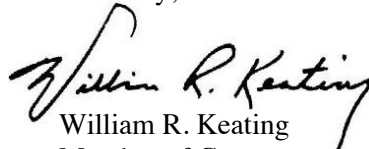
I am requesting \$2,000,000.00 in fiscal year 2023 community project funding for “**Childcare Center Expansion: YMCA Old Colony**” located in Plymouth, MA. The entity to receive funding is Old Colony Young Men's Christian Association, Inc. with offices located at 320 Main Street, Brockton, MA 02301.

The funding will be used for a building project that will allow the Old Colony YMCA to expand their early education and childcare offerings. The total project cost is \$4,000,000 with \$2,000,000 already secured through foundation and corporate support, individual contributions, in-kind support, as well as operating budget allocations. Plymouth area families currently face a lack of childcare with waiting lists, unprecedented high costs and limitations for children from low-income families. The program, in which 46% of families receive financial assistance, is currently at capacity.

This funding is a good use of taxpayer dollars because it will help alleviate the childcare crisis facing children and low-income families in the region of Plymouth, Massachusetts and allow the expansion of programmatic offerings that are currently at capacity. The Old Colony YMCA enjoys strong partnerships with public agencies including the Plymouth Public Schools, Town of Plymouth, Quincy College, Plymouth County District Attorney's Office and the Plymouth Police Department.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,


William R. Keating
Member of Congress